

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/SG2004/000319

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TITLE OF INVENTION

IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES WITH ENHANCED VISIBILITY, MECHANICAL PROPERTIES AND BIOCOMPATABILITY

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

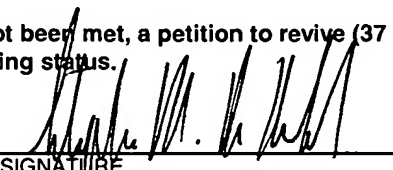
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
20. ☒ Other items or information.

Copies of International Search Report, Written Opinions and responses thereto, and International Preliminary
Report on Patentability; return receipt postcard.

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| | | | | CALCULATIONS | PTO USE ONLY |
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| The following fees have been submitted | | | | | |
| 21. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)) | \$300 | | \$ 300.00 | |
| 22. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4) | \$0 | | | |
| | All other situations | \$200 | | \$ 200.00 | |
| 23. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4)..... | \$0 | | | |
| | Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority | \$100 | | | |
| | International Search Report Prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB | \$400 | | | |
| | All other situations | \$500 | | 500.00 | |
| TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = | | | | \$ 1000.00 | |
| Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | |
| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) | RATE | | |
| 31 - 100 = | -69 / 50 = | | x | \$ | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | \$ | |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | | |
| Total claims | 27 - 20 = | 7 | x 50 | \$ 350.00 | |
| Independent claims | 4 - 3 = | 1 | x 200 | \$ 200.00 | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | | + 360 | \$ |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ 1550.00 | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees are reduced by 1/2. | | | | \$ 1550.00 | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ 775.00 | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ 775.00 | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | \$ | |
| Other fee (specify): | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ 775.00 | |
| Amount to be refunded: | | | | \$ | |
| charged: | | | | \$ | |
| <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check(s) in the amount of \$ <u>775.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u> in the amount of \$ <u>775.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> | | | | | |
| <p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</p> | | | | | |
| <p><u>May 8, 2006</u> DATE</p> | | | <p> SIGNATURE</p> | | |
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